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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	199-0231US
First Inventor	Sievers, John
Title	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMPROVING
Express Mail Label	EY277226828US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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| <p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.</p> <p>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification [Total Pages 20]
(preferred arrangement set forth below) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Descriptive title of the invention - Cross Reference to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix - Background of the Invention - Brief Summary of the Invention - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description - Claim(s) - Abstract of the Disclosure </p> <p>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 2]</p> <p>5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 5] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newly executed (original or copy) b. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). </p> <p>6. <input type="checkbox"/> Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76</p> | <p>7. <input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)</p> <p>8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- 9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
- 10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney (when there is an assignee)
- 11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
- 12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations
- 13. Preliminary Amendment
- 14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
- 15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
- 16. Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
- 17. Other:

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in the first sentence of the specification following the title, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

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Prior application information: Examiner _____ Group / Art Unit: _____

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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)
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Application Number	
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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	130	2051 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053 130 Non - English specification	
1812	2,520	1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251 55 Extension for reply within first month	
1252	420	2252 210 Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	2253 475 Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,480	2254 740 Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,010	2255 1,005 Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	2401 165 Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402 165 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403 145 Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453 665 Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501 665 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502 240 Design issue fee	
1503	640	2503 320 Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460 130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	
8021	40	8021 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	770	2809 385 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810 385 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
1801	770	2801 385 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802 900 Request for expedited examination of a design application	
Other fee (specify) _____			

FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	
1001 770	2001 385	Utility filing fee	770.00
1002 340	2002 170	Design filing fee	
1003 530	2003 265	Plant filing fee	
1004 770	2004 385	Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)		\$770.00	

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	33 -20** = 13	X 18.00 = 234.00	
Independent Claims	4 - 3** = 1	X 86.00 = 86.00	
Multiple Dependent		=	

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description
Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description
1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 86	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 86	2204 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)		\$320.00

**or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

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